

Notice of Allowability

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09/746,637

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 10/21/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-21, 23-42 and 44.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

W. C. Vaughn, Jr.
WILLIAM C. VAUGHN, JR.
PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael on 03/03/06.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 24:

A ~~machine-readable medium having machine-executable~~ computer-readable media, storing computer-readable machine instructions that when executed by a processor, cause the processor to implement steps (a) through (c) of Claim 1.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1-21, 23-42, and 44 are allowed.

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

6. The provision for accessing information related to an installing of a peripheral device connected to a host device, comprising obtaining from the peripheral device at least one identifier identifying the peripheral device; determining a network address based on said at least one identifier; in response to a request that is automatically

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generated initially to facilitate the installation, executing a browser function on the host device to access a remote device at the network address to obtain information required for the use of the peripheral device by the host device; and enabling a user to suppress further automatically generated requests to execute a browser function on the host device to access the network address to obtain information not essential for the use of the peripheral device by the host device, wherein said automatically generated requests are not initiated by the user is not fairly taught or suggested by the prior art of record. Examiner finds particular novelty in the claimed further automatically generated requests to execute a browser function not initiated by the user to access the network address to obtain information not essential for the use of the peripheral device, which can be further suppressed by the user if desired. Support for this functionality can be found in the Specification, p. 10, line 8 through p. 13, line 11; Fig. 2.

7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Response to Arguments

8. Applicant's arguments filed 10/21/05, with respect to claims 1-21, 23-42, and 44 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of the claims has been withdrawn.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Philyaw (U.S. Pat. No. 6,725,260)

Chobotaro et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,615,286)

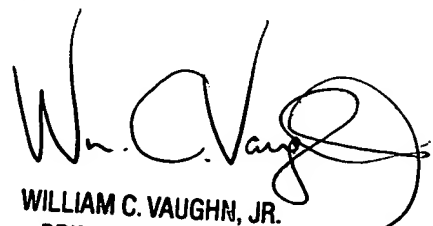
McCannon et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,607,314)

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph R. Maniwang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3928. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William C. Vaughn can be reached on (571) 272-3922. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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